

AUTO SHOW NOW IN FULL SWING

Record-breaking Crowd Is
Expected Tomorrow
Evening.

LATE ARRIVALS ON VIEW

Imp Cycle and Briscoe Cars, Delayed,
on Exhibition Last
Night.

The National Capital's answer to the "calamity crisis" that the automobile industry is in a state of depression is evidenced by the throngs of motor enthusiasts who have crowded the huge auditorium of the Convention Hall since the opening of the automobile show Monday night. Record-breaking crowds have thronged the hall and judging from present conditions tomorrow night with witness the largest gathering of motorists ever assembled in Washington.

A majority of those who attended the opening of the show on Monday night returned in the last night to view the exhibits. The show was delayed and not on the floor opening night. The automobile exhibit consisting of two touring cars and a roadster arrived yesterday and is on display. The Kline exhibit, two touring cars and a roadster; the Indiana trucks, the Imp Cyclecar and the Briscoe car made their appearance yesterday and completed the roster of cars to be exhibited.

The exhibit of William P. Barnhart & Co. are on the left of the main aisle, and the Cole Motor Sales Company, on the right. The former consists of a new Pullman light "six," King and Standard electric, while the latter is composed of Cole touring cars, roadsters, coupes and chassis, finished in white enamel. The Chevrolet exhibit of the Henderson-Rowe Auto Company, has a full line of stream line roadsters and touring cars. The Prober-Haynes Motor Company has a display of Hages touring cars and roadsters, while a seven-passenger limousine stands out in full view. A feature of this exhibit is one of the Vulcan electric gear shifting devices, mounted and in full operation.

Displays Five Electric.
The Emerson & Orme display consists of five Detroit electric broughams of the latest type and construction. The remainder of their exhibit consists of three 1914 Apperson cars, including one roadster. The exhibit of the Mitchell-Lewis Motor Company's line is novel. The display of the Hudson Automobile Company comprises big and little Hudson "six" touring cars, a cabriolet and a sedan. The Argo electric broughams also form part of the same exhibit. The Regal exhibit, consisting of touring cars, a roadster, and a chassis, attracted a number of visitors. Another popular exhibit is that of T. Lamar Jackson, who handles the Stevens-Duryea line. The Regal exhibit, consisting of a five-passenger car equipped with wire wheels and a seven-passenger touring car, both finished in mulberry red.

Two Ohio electric broughams are being displayed in the space adjoining the Stevens-Duryea. The new six-cylinder Marmion "41" made its bow to the public. It is finished in black and red running gear. In addition to this car there are also shown the highest priced car in the show—a \$5,000 six "48" Marmion of the seven-passenger type. The latest model Woods electric brougham also forms part of the display of this concern.

Exhibits of Accessories.
On the west side of the hall is located the velvet shock absorber and rear signal lamp display of Chesley & Harvey. Next in line is to be found an unusually large display of automobile accessories by the National Electrical Supply Company. The Kirt-Washington Motor Company occupies the next space, two touring models of the latest type, one equipped with wire wheels, forming the display.

Miller-Dudley Company has an exhibit which consists of Gray and Davis Lighting systems, Bosch magneto and spark plugs and Hoes-Bright bearings.

Irvin T. Donohoe has a large display of automobile accessories. He is featuring the J. M. shock absorber, Leroy Mark has space and is telling of the whys and wherefores of automobile fire insurance. The Edison Electric Storage Battery and Equipment Company has an electrical display.

The Indiana truck exhibit of R. E. Lankford consists of one, two and three ton chassis and bodies, being shown for the first time here. The Wilcox-Trux dis-

play of the Congressional garage occupies the entire south end of the hall. The Washington Motor Car Company has two of the latest Palmer-Singer models.

Another busy exhibit last night was that of the W. L. Smith Company, which recently closed the agency for the Detroit car. Two models of the 1914 type are shown.

The David Motor Car Company is showing a Davis six-cylinder car, finished in maroon.

A. H. Gregory has a full line of marine motors.

Barber & Ross is displaying a full line of automobile accessories. The A. V. shock absorber is attracting much attention, as are also the tabloid and solid, first-aid outfit. The G. S. shock absorber is being shown by the Waldron representatives. The Briscoe small car arrived last evening. Other exhibitors include the Capital Savings Bank, the Tolman Laundry and the Express Spark Plug Company.

Mrs. Bohn Is Improving.
The condition of Mrs. Belle Bohn, who was seriously hurt Saturday afternoon near her home in Warrenton, Va., when she was violently thrown from a buggy by a runaway horse, showed considerable improvement yesterday at Providence Hospital. Mrs. Bohn was brought to Washington Saturday night suffering from a compound fracture of the skull. She was operated on by Dr. James F. Mitchell. Mrs. Bohn was born in Virginia and is prominent in the social life of the Capital and Virginia.

REDFIELD IS HOPEFUL OF BUSINESS OUTLOOK

Says Mr. Wilson's Message Places
President in Line with Best
Commercial Thought.

SEES PERMANENT PROSPERITY

Secretary Redfield, of the Department of Commerce, took a hopeful view of the business outlook in an interview given to The Washington Herald declared that the President's message proved that the President is in line with the best business thought of the country and has adopted a policy which will improve business conditions, restore permanent confidence in business, and lead to a permanent prosperity.

The Secretary reviewed crop conditions and other fundamental conditions throughout the country, declaring that all signs pointed to prosperous times. One of the strongest indications of business expansion, he said, was the movement among American manufacturers looking to the enlargement of their export trade.

Secretary Redfield said:

"I am sure that the spirit of the President's message read to Congress today will strike a responsive chord in business circles all over the land. Already such depression as had existed here and there has begun to pass away. The movement seems to be upward and forward generally. It is not a rush or a boom, and it is well that it is not, because rushes and booms are apt to last but a little while."

The fundamental economic conditions of the country are sound; there is no excessive speculation, debts are well liquidated, the farmer of the South and West has received adequate return from his crops, our manufacturers are holding their place in the foreign markets at a time when low prices prevail in England and Germany, and have tested our competing power to the utmost. The currency bill has removed the threatened danger from an inflexible financial condition; the tariff, even by those who oppose it, is admitted at the worst to be much better than they feared, and at the best, to be helpful. What is there to fear?"

JUDGESHIP QUESTION IS UP.
Wilson and McReynolds Also Discuss District Federal Places.

President Wilson and Attorney General McReynolds yesterday conferred concerning appointments of four judges of the Municipal Court and other Federal positions in the District, but if they reached a decision on any of the jobs they did not make the fact known.

Attorney General McReynolds, who is known to be opposed to nominations to the bench of men above fifty years, has received the reappointment of Judge Robert H. Terrell, colored, has not yet been in conference with the President. It is understood the President will ask Vardaman to cease objecting to a Federal job.

POLITICAL MACHINE SEEN IN ALASKA BILL

McCumber Insists Railroad Would Be
Step in Direction of
Socialism.

KENTON URGES CIVIL SERVICE

Government ownership and control of railroads was discussed in the Senate yesterday afternoon in connection with the Alaska railroad bill. Senator McCumber insisted that government ownership was the first step in the direction of a socialistic movement and that it would end in building up a great political machine made up of railway employees, whose salaries would be much higher than are paid under present conditions.

Senator Kenton, replying to Mr. McCumber's charge that railway ownership and operation by the government would result in a great political machine, insisted that it could be guarded against by applying the merit system and the civil service protection to the employees. Senator Smith, of Michigan, took exception to the suggestion that the civil service system was carried out in good faith and that political appointments are made on merit. He characterized Senator Kenton's idea that railway employees under government ownership would be kept out of politics by the civil service as "another Utopian dream."

Referring to the estimate by Mr. Thorne, of the Iowa commission, that government ownership would save \$400,000,000 a year, Mr. Kenton observed:

"If the efficiency of our transportation was not diminished and if civil service was kept strictly intact so that the employees would not be thrust into politics, the people may well inquire whether such an amount should not be saved, because in the end, it comes out of them."

In the course of the discussion of the bill Senator Chamberlain, who is in charge of the bill, assured Senators that it was the intention of the committee to limit the amount of the total expenditure on account of railroads in Alaska to \$5,000,000, the total mileage to 1,000 and that possibly there might be a limitation as to what the average cost per mile should be. Senator William Alden Smith was of the opinion that the road ought to be built for \$40,000 a mile on the average.

Secretary of the Interior Lane yesterday forwarded to Representative Houston, chairman of the House Committee on Territories, a lengthy letter giving a recent history of railroad construction in lands newly opened, which he believes will be of help to members of Congress who are now considering the bill which provides that the government build a railroad to be operated in the newly opened lands of Alaska. The following is an extract from the introduction of Secretary Lane's letter:

"It was our opinion Alaska was must do so either by subsidizing railroads with land and money grants or by government construction, as no other method has been devised in this or any other country."

RACE SUICIDE UNKNOWN AMONG PROLIFIC EELS

From 5,000,000 to 20,000,000 Eggs
Per Fish Not at All
Unusual.

United States Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries Hugh M. Smith, in an article written for the National Geographic Society, dispels much mystery that has hitherto surrounded the life of the common eel. "When the complete life of the eel is cleared up, it will doubtless be shown to have a more remarkable history than any other fish possesses," he says.

While the remarkable habits of the eel remained unknown or defied the elucidation of the early observers, imagination ran riot, fiction and fable were accepted as fact, and the eel was loaded with an incubus of impossible attributes. The most extraordinary theories and beliefs have been entertained regarding the spawning habits of the eel, from the time of Aristotle to the present day. The cause of all the speculations and misconceptions has been the fact that eels do not spawn within the confines of the continent or where human observation is possible.

"The habits of the eel at the time of spawning are entirely unknown. The eggs are never deposited in water less than 1,000 meters deep. They hatch at or near the surface, where they are carried by their natural buoyancy. From counts and estimates based on immature

specimens, it is evident that the eels are the most prolific of all fishes and of all backboneed creatures. From 5,000,000 to 10,000,000 eggs are probably produced by the average-sized eel, and 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 must be deposited by the largest examples.

One of the most surprising facts in the eel's life is that all individuals of both sexes die after spawning once. The principal damage done by the eel is to the spawn of food fishes. This is consumed in great quantities, especially at night."

MARYLAND AGGIES

Gallaudet Quilt Clashes with An-
cient Rivals Today.

Gallaudet's basketball team will play Maryland Agricultural College in the Kendall Green gymnasium this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Since losing to the strong University of Virginia quilt last Saturday, Gallaudet has shown improvement in shooting and passing under the basket. The coaching of "Mickey" Kalisher and will start the game confident of victory.

That the game will be hotly contested from start to finish is most likely because of the keen rivalry of both institutions in athletics and it will be a game worth seeing.

The probable line-up of Gallaudet will be: Capt. Duran, right forward; Rockwell, left forward; Rasmussen, center; Keeler, right guard; Classen, left guard.

MERCHANTS PLANNING GET-TOGETHER DINNER

February 24 Selected as Date and
Raleigh Hotel as the
Place.

EXPECT NOTABLE GATHERING

The third annual merchants' get-together dinner of the Retail Merchants' Association is announced for Tuesday evening, February 24, at the Raleigh Hotel.

This announcement was made last night by M. A. Leese, chairman of the dinner committee, and arrangements are already afoot to make the dinner the most ambitious and successful function that has ever been attempted by the business men of Washington.

The committee appointed by President R. F. Andrews to arrange for the dinner is getting under way in great shape, and at a meeting of the executive committee held Monday at noon some of the big work that has been planned for the dinner was apporportioned.

The committee stated their determination to make special efforts to bring together a notable number of the retail merchants of Washington about the "get-together" board.

The following is the personnel of the committee in charge of the dinner: M. A. Leese, chairman; E. C. Graham, treasurer; Charles J. Columbus, secretary; R. P. Andrews, Isaac Gans, J. Henry Small, Julius Garfinkle, Joseph Strasburger, Sidney West, Simon Kahn, Harry King, P. W. MacKenzie, Claude E. Miller, D. Blackstone, W. W. Griffith, Gerson Nordlinger, Samuel L. Willett, Edward W. Zea, A. D. Prince, Morris Hahn, J. M. Bird, James P. Oyster, J. M. Burnett, C. Dulin, A. Limer, R. N. Martin, Louis Boeckstyn, Charles S. McGuigan, Louis Levy, E. H. Snyder, William John Eynon, George E. Hebbard, and O. J. De Moll.

OCTOGENARIAN TELLS OF MURDERING WIFE

William Eberwein, Civil War Veteran,
Declares He Thought It No Sin
to End Misery.

HAD SUFFERED WITH CANCER

Philadelphia, Jan. 20.—William Eberwein, eighty years old, a veteran of the civil war, was convicted today of the murder of his wife, sixty-five years old, and sentenced to seven years, practically a life sentence for him. He related how he had put his wife out of the way after she had pleaded and begged him to end her sufferings.

"My wife suffered for seven years with vertigo," he said. "Three years ago she got a cancer on her foot. She suffered awfully. She was always falling down. She went to a hospital, but it did her no good. After she came home, the day this thing happened, I was out in the yard. She said she was going up stairs to lay down. A little while later I came in for my pipe, and I saw her at the bottom of the stairs. She must have fallen all the way down from the top."

"I knew she was terribly hurt. She said, 'I'm suffering awfully, William, and I want to die. You do it. William, end it all for me. It's no sin,' says she, 'when I'm suffering so.'"

"I had a board in my hand that I had brought in out of the yard. I looked at her lying there hurt so and guessed, too, it wouldn't be a sin. I tapped her on the head with the board. She didn't moan much and once when I stopped she kind of whispered: 'Go on, it won't be long.'"

"So I kept on tapping her and she got weaker and weaker. She said she was contented while I tapped her with the board. Then I was arrested and taken to prison, where I've been dying ever since."

EXPECT ABOUT 100 DELEGATES

National Liquor League Meets in
Convention Here February 3-5.

More than 100 delegates are expected to attend the twenty-first annual convention of the National Liquor League, to be held in this city February 3-5 at the National Hotel.

The convention first was set for today, tomorrow, and Friday, but was postponed. William A. Engel, Samuel J. Steinberger, and Patrick P. Carr are delegates from the local Federation of Liquor Dealers. August Brahier is chairman of the committee on entertainment and is preparing a good program for the visitors.

BIG CROWD ATTENDS LECTURE.

Necessary to Use Auditorium of
Epiphany for Bishop Rowe.

It was necessary to use the main auditorium of the Church of the Epiphany last night to accommodate the attendance at the joint meeting of the Sunday School Institute and the Diocesan branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of Epiphany parish hall.

"A Personally Conducted Tour in Alaska" was the title of an address given by Bishop Peter Trimble Rowe, of Philadelphia, who last Christmas sent over 5,000 toys to the poor children of the country, when asked about her interview with Senator Williams, of Mississippi, yesterday.

This morning she will see Secretary Daniels, Secretary Bryan, Speaker Clark, Representative Underwood, Secretary Lane, and Admiral Dewey. She also expects to see Vice President Marshall, who has already voiced his approval of the plan.

News Nuggets from Telegraph and Cable

San Francisco, Jan. 20.—All Southern Pacific trains were delayed from one to five hours today because rotary plows in clearing the main line through the Sierra Nevada have buried the siding between ten and fifteen feet deep with snow.

New York, Jan. 20.—A wireless received here this afternoon stated that the steamship Oscar II, of the Scandinavian-American line, had suffered a breakdown while en route from Copenhagen to this port, and was proceeding slowly with 26 passengers under power furnished by the port engine.

Boston, Jan. 20.—Hope for the Boston four-masted schooner Prescott Palmer, and the fourteen men aboard, was practically abandoned today when the United States revenue cutter Androscoggin and Greaham wired to this port: "No news of the Prescott Palmer."

New York, Jan. 20.—The worst tie up in the history of the New York subway occurred today when a broken axle wrecked a train at Ninety-sixth street. The system was tied up for three hours and more than 40,000 were delayed.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 20.—Normal conditions are rapidly being restored today on the Delaware and Hudson Railroad, which was tied up completely yesterday by the shortest and most effective strike on record. All of the 5,000 employees who struck are back at work.

Queensdown, Ireland, Jan. 20.—The Cunard liner Lusitania arrived here today with the master and crew of the Nova Scotia schooner Mayflower on board. The Mayflower was wrecked in a storm in mid-Atlantic and burned at sea after her crew had deserted her.

Movements of Ocean Steamships.
New York, Jan. 20.—Arrived: Russia, Labau; Madonna, Lisbon; Bovic, Liverpool; Excelsior, Rotterdam; Manhattan, Antwerp.

Sailed: Kronprinzessin Cecilie, Bremen, 10 a. m.; New Amsterdam, Rotterdam, 10 a. m.; Verona, Naples, 11 a. m.; Panama, Naples, 12 m.; Cristobal, Colon, 3 p. m.

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MINISTER'S WIFE GIVES SPOUSE TO 'SOUL MATE'

Mrs. J. H. Foster, of Atlanta, Sees
Pastor-Husband Go Back to
Pretty Widow.

SAYS "IT'S BETTER THAT WAY"

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 20.—Rev. J. H. Foster, a prominent Baptist minister of Atlanta, has been turned over by his wife to young and pretty Mrs. Maude Deane, whom the preacher calls his soul mate. Mrs. Foster announced today that she would not prosecute her husband and that she would not prosecute her husband and that she would not prosecute her husband.

"I am glad Mrs. Foster has decided to act sensibly," said Foster. "If she had reached that decision long ago this trouble would have been avoided. I shall get a divorce and marry Mrs. Deane. I intend to remain in the ministry. I have done nothing save follow my heart."

"SANTA CLAUS" GIRL HAPPY.

Senator Williams Tells Olive Wilson
He Indorses Her Plan.

"Senator John Sharp Williams was perfectly grand to me when I saw him yesterday morning about giving his support to the bill which I want introduced into Congress granting the franking privilege of the mails to gifts sent to destitute children at Christmas. He said that it was a very pretty idea and that he thoroughly indorsed it."

This was the comment of Miss Olive May Wilson, the "Santa Claus girl" of Philadelphia, who last Christmas sent over 5,000 toys to the poor children of the country, when asked about her interview with Senator Williams, of Mississippi, yesterday.

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